TOWN OF GRANBY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2012

PRESENT: Michelle Niedermeyer, Chairman;

Kate Bogli, Pam Burek, Lucy Lindeyer, Steven Hayes

GUESTS: Bob Brockett, Nancy Dunn

Michelle Niedermeyer confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 8:00 PM.

APPROVE June 2012 MINUTES: ON A MOTION BY Kate Bogli, seconded by Pam Burek, the Commission voted to approve the minutes of June 13, 2012 as written (3-0). Steven Hayes abstained from voting as he was not in attendance at the June 2012 meeting.

APPROVE July 2012 MINUTES: ON A MOTION BY Kate Bogli, seconded by Pam Burek, the Commission voted to approve the minutes of July 11, 2012 as written (3-0). Steven Hayes abstained from voting as he was not in attendance at the July 2012 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- Kate Bogli will resume composting project with local elementary school once school is in session.
- LAND PARCELS: Michelle Niedermeyer outlined briefly a discussion she had with Town
 Selectman regarding town land parcels. Michelle Niedermeyer stressed the importance for an
 Agricultural Commission member to work beside and advise the town employee who will be
 handling these land parcels on an ongoing basis. Michelle Niedermeyer noted that Erin Pirro
 would be a good choice to represent the Ag Commission in this advising role.

OPEN FARM DAY

- Michelle Niedermeyer asked Nancy Dunn to email her the current participant/events list.
- The Drummer will print maps and schedule of events; The Valley Press a media sponsor.
- Although there will not be a parade this year, there may be one for Open Farm Day 2013.
- Pam Burek said Erin Pirro is currently coordinating the Passbook and that Erin is on top of it.
- Michelle will revise the current Granby Farm map for Open Farm Day.
- Michelle asked who would like to volunteer to coordinate the road directional signs. Lucy Lindeyer said she would take that on.
- With the number of people visiting Granby during Open Farm Day those visitors will need/want to eat. This opens an opportunity for local businesses. The Ag Commission wants to encourage visitors to enjoy the local fair and discussed involving local eateries.

NEW BUSINESS

WEBSITE/FACEBOOK: Kate Bogli said the Website/Facebook pages are up and running. Farms
can login as Agricultural Members and add photos & upcoming events. It will be up to the
individual farm to update and add information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT: ON A MOTION BY Kate Bogli, seconded by Steven Hayes the Commission voted (5-0) to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at 8:00 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Tappenden Recording Secretary